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ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER Form PTO-1390 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (Rev. 02-2005) PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE OGA-013 TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES U.S. APPLICATION NO DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED PCT/JP2003/011135 September 1, 2003 August 30, 2002 TITLE OF INVENTION DATE POLYLACTIC ACID FIBER, YARN PACKAGE, AND TEXTILE PRODUCTS February 23, 2005 APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Toshiaki KIMURA, Shuichi NONAKA, Takashi OCHI, Takaaki SAKAI, Katsuhiko MOCHIZUKI and Yuhei MAEDA Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: [XX] This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. [ ] This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. [XX] This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. [ ] The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (Article 31). 5. [XX] A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) a. [ ] is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. [XX] has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. [ ] is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). [XX] An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). (99 pages and 7 sheets of drawings (Figs. 1-7). a. [XX] is attached hereto. b. [ ] has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. [XX] Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(C)(3)) a. [ ] are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). have been communicated by the International Bureau. [ ] have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. [XX] have not been made and will not be made. I an English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). [XX] An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 10. [ ] An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: 11. [XX] An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12. [XX] An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. [ ] A FIRST preliminary amendment. 14. [ ] A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. 15. [ ] A substitute specification. 16. [ ] A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. 17. [ ] A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821 - 1.825. 18. [ ] A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 19. [ ] A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).

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20. [XX] Other items or information:

a. PCT/RO/101 b. PCT/ISA/210 c. PCT/IB/301 d. PCT/IB/304 e. PCT/IB/308

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The following fees are submitted: 21. [XX] Basic National Stage Fee				\$	300.00	,
22. [XX] Examination fee If international preliminary examination report prepared by UPSTO and all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) \$100.00 All other situations \$200.00					200.00	
23. [XX] Search Fee Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority \$100.00 International Search Report prepared and provided to the Office \$400.00 All other situations					400.00	
TOTAL OF 21, 22 AND 23 =				\$	900.00	
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than [ ] 20 [ ] 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).					•	
National Stage Application Size Fee - If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets, the application size fee due is \$250.00 for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof.				\$	250.00	
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE			
Total claims	31 - 20	11	x \$ 50.00	\$	550.00	
Indep. claims	1 - 3		x \$ 200.00	\$	0.00	
Multiple dependent claim(s) (if applicable) + \$ 360.00				\$	0.00	
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$	1,700.00	
Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by ½.				\$	0.00	
SUB TOTAL =				\$	1,700.00	
Processing fee \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than [ ] 20 [ ] 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).				\$	0.00	
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =				\$	1,700.00	···
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property +				\$	40.00	
TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =				\$	1,740.00	
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				charged		\$
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- b. [ ] Check in the amount of \$\*.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.
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- d. [XX] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 111833.

NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to review (37 CFR

1.137(a) or (b) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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